

**MA-412**

**Complex Analysis**

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## §1. Preliminaries

**Region:** An open, connected subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  is called domain or region.

$$D(a, r) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - a| < r\}$$

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid r < |z - a| < R\} \rightarrow \text{annulus}$$

**Exponential function:**  $\exp(z) : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$e^z = e^x(\cos(y) + i\sin(y))$$

$$e^{z_1+z_2} = e^{z_1} \cdot e^{z_2}, 0 \notin \text{Rng}(\exp(z))$$

$$|e^{ix}| = 1 \quad (\forall x \in \mathbb{R})$$

$$e^z = 1 \text{ iff } z = 2n\pi i, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$e^{z_1} = e^{z_2} \text{ iff } z_1 = z_2 + 2n\pi i$$

**Argument:**  $\arg(z) : \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\arg(z) = \theta \text{ (Angle made wrt positive real axis)}$$

$$\arg(z) \text{ for } z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \text{ is multivalued function}$$

$$\arg(z) : \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow (\alpha, \alpha + 2\pi] \text{ or } [\alpha, \alpha + 2\pi) \text{ is well-defined } (\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R})$$

**Principal value:**  $\text{Arg}(z) = \theta \quad (-\pi < \theta \leq \pi)$

$$\arg(z) = \{\text{Arg}(z) + 2n\pi : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

**Complex Log:** For  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ , define:

$$\log(z) = \log(|z|) + i\arg(z)$$

Notice that  $\log$  is multivalued

Whenever  $\arg(z)$  is well-defined (i.e  $\text{Rng}(\arg(z)) = [\alpha, \alpha + 2\pi)$  or  $(\alpha, \alpha + 2\pi]$ )

$\Rightarrow \log(z)$  is well defined

$$\text{Log}(z) = \log(|z|) + i.\text{Arg}(z) \text{ (principal log)}$$

$$\log(z) = \text{Log}(z) + 2n\pi i$$

**Lemma 1.1:** For  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ , the values of  $\log(z)$  are the complex numbers  $\omega$  such that  $e^\omega = z$

**Proof:** Do it on your own!

**Limit:**  $f : E \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = l$$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ such that } 0 < |z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - l| < \epsilon$$

$$z \in (B(z, z_0) \setminus \{0\}) \cap E \Rightarrow f(z) \in B(l, \epsilon)$$

**Proposition 1.1 (Sequential criteria for limit):**

A function  $f : E \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  has a limit point  $l$  as  $z \rightarrow z_0$  iff  $f(z_n) \rightarrow l$  for every sequence

$\{z_n\} \subset E \setminus \{z_0\}$  with  $z_n \rightarrow z_0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

**Theorem 1.1:** If  $f : E \subset \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  has a limit at  $z_0$ , then  $f$  is bounded near  $z_0$

**Continuity:**  $f : E \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$f$  is continuous at  $z_0 \in E$  if for every basic neighbourhood  $V$  of  $f(z_0)$ , there is a basic

neighbourhood  $U$  of  $z_0$  such that  $f(U) \subset V$ . Let  $V = B(f(z_0), \epsilon)$  &  $U = B(z_0, \delta)$ ,

$$z \in B(z_0, \delta) \Rightarrow f(z) \in B(f(z_0), \epsilon)$$

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - f(z_0)| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{Then, } z \in B(z_0, \delta) \setminus \{z_0\} \Rightarrow f(z) \in B(f(z_0), \epsilon)$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = f(z_0)$$

**Prove:** Let  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f = u + iv$  (where  $u, v : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ )

$f$  is continuous at a point  $z_0$  iff  $u, v$  are continuous at  $z_0$

## §2. Branch of Log and Power function

$$\text{Arg} : \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow (-\pi, \pi]$$

$$\text{Log}(z) = \log(|z|) + i.\text{Arg}(z) \text{ (defined on } \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})$$

$$\text{Log}(z) \text{ is continuous on } \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0] \text{ as } \text{Arg}(z) \text{ is continuous on } \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$$

### §§2.1. Branch of Log

Let  $G \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a region. A continuous function  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is called a branch of logarithm in  $G$  if:

$$e^{f(z)} = z \quad (\forall z \in G) (\Rightarrow 0 \notin G)$$

$$e^{\text{Log}(z)} = z \quad (\forall z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})$$

But  $\text{Log}(z)$  isn't continuous on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$

Therefore,  $\text{Log}(z)$  is a branch of log in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$

$$f_k = \text{Log}(z) + 2k\pi i, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$e^{f_k(z)} = z \quad (\text{Each } f_k \text{ is a branch of log in } G)$$

**Theorem 2.1:** Let  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a branch of log. Then  $g : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a branch of log iff

$$g(z) = f(z) + 2k\pi i \quad (\text{for some } k \in \mathbb{Z})$$

**Proof:** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) if  $f$  is a branch of log, then so is  $g$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $g : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a branch of log.

Then, (i)  $g$  is continuous

$$(ii) \quad e^{g(z)} = z, \quad \forall z \in G$$

Since  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a branch of log, we have,

(i)  $f$  is continuous

$$(ii) \quad e^{f(z)} = z, \quad \forall z \in G$$

$$e^{g(z)} = z = e^{f(z)} \quad (\forall z \in G)$$

$$\Rightarrow g(z) = f(z) + 2k(z)\pi i \text{ (} k \text{ depends on } z\text{)}$$

$$k : G \subset \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$k(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i}(g(z) - f(z)) \text{ (} k \text{ is continuous)}$$

Since  $G$  is connected,  $Img(k)$  is connected (subset of  $\mathbb{Z}$ )

$\Rightarrow k(z)$  is constant

Hence, the claim follows.

**Unit disk in  $\mathbb{C}$ :**  $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$

$0 \in D$ , hence  $D$  cannot be a branch of  $\log$ .

$D \setminus \{0\}$  isn't a branch of  $\log$ . (Why?)

$$Log(z) : \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

The half-line is called a branch-cut for any member of  $\{Log(z) + 2k\pi i : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

**Question:** How do you make a branch-cut to define a branch of  $Log(z + i - 1)$ ?

## §§2.2. Power functions

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ . We define  $z^\alpha$  to be the multi-valued function:

$$\begin{aligned} z^\alpha &= e^{\alpha \log(z)} = e^{\alpha(\log(|z|) + i \arg(z))} \\ &= e^{\alpha(Log(z) + 2k\pi i)} \\ &= e^{\alpha Log(z)} \cdot e^{2\pi i k \alpha} \quad (z \neq 0, k \in \mathbb{Z}) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\alpha = n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $z^\alpha = e^{n Log(z)}$  which is single-valued.

### §3. Differentiability and Power series

#### §§3.1. Differentiability

Let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  and  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $f$  is said to be differentiable at  $z_0 \in \Omega$  if,

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0}$$

exists

Example:  $f(z) = \bar{z}$  isn't differentiable at any point in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Cauchy-Riemann equations:** Let  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be differentiable at  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$ . Then,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)$$

Further,

$$f'(z_0) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)$$

Note that the last equation only has partial derivatives wrt  $x$ .

**Proof (Sketch):** In the differential, approach the origin once through the real axis and then the imaginary axis to get some equations

**Holomorphic/Analytic:** A function is said to be **holomorphic** or **analytic** at  $z_0$  if it is differentiable in a neighbourhood of  $z_0$ .

If a function is analytic at a point, it is called a regular point for the function

**Entire functions:** If a function  $f$  is analytic at every point in  $\mathbb{C} \Rightarrow f$  is entire.

Example:

1.  $f(z) \rightarrow$  polynomial in  $\mathbb{C}$
2.  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z} \rightarrow$  not an entire function (differentiable at every point on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ )

**Proposition 3.1:** If  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable at  $z_0 \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ , then so are:

(i)  $f + g$ , (ii)  $fg$ , (iii)  $f/g$  ( $g(z_0) \neq 0$ )

**Proof:** Trivial

**Chain Rule:**  $f : \Omega \rightarrow U$ ,  $g : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  are holomorphic at  $z_0$  and  $f(z_0)$  respectively. Then

$g \circ f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic at  $z_0$  and  $(g \circ f)'(z_0) = g'(f(z_0)) \cdot f'(z_0)$

**Proof:** Let  $h = (g \circ f)$

$$\begin{aligned} h'(z_0) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{g(f(z)) - g(f(z_0))}{z - z_0} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{g(f(z)) - g(f(z_0))}{f(z) - f(z_0)} \cdot \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \\ &= \lim_{f(z) \rightarrow f(z_0)} \frac{g(f(z)) - g(f(z_0))}{f(z) - f(z_0)} \cdot \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} = g'(f(z_0)) f'(z_0) \quad (\text{Using continuity of } f) \end{aligned}$$

### §§3.2. Power series

A series of the form  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$  ( $a_n, z, z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ ;  $z_0$  is center)

**Theorem 3.1(Radius of convergence):** Given a power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z)^n$ ,

$\exists R \in [0, \infty) \cup \{\infty\}$  such that:

1. the series converges absolutely ( $\forall z \in B(0, R)$ ; the disk of convergence)
2. diverges  $\forall z$  such that  $|z| > R$
- 3.

$$R = \frac{1}{\limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}}$$

(Convention:  $\frac{1}{0} = +\infty$ ,  $\frac{1}{\infty} = 0$ )

**Proof:** Theorem 2.5 in Stein-Shakarchi Complex Analysis

**Theorem 3.2:** The power series  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  defines a holomorphic function (in its disk of convergence)

Derivative of  $f$  is obtained by differentiation of each term:

$$f'(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1}$$



$f'$  has same disk of convergence

**Proof:** Theorem 2.6 in Stein-Shakarchi Complex Analysis

**Remark:** A power series is infinitely differentiable (analytic) in its disk of convergence

$$\Rightarrow f(z) = \sum a_n z^n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} z^k$$

**Proposition 3.2:** Let  $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \subset \mathbb{C}$  be domains and let  $f : \Omega_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, g : \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be continuous function such that  $f(\Omega_1) \subseteq \Omega_2$  and that  $g(f(z)) = z$  ( $\forall z \in \Omega_1$ ). If  $g$  is differentiable on  $\Omega_2$  and if  $g'(w) \neq 0$  ( $\forall w \in \Omega_2$ ), then  $f$  is differentiable and  $f'(z) = \frac{1}{g'(f(z))}$  ( $\forall z \in \Omega_1$ )

**Proof (Sketch):** Use the differentiability of  $g$  and the continuity of  $f$  to get the result

**Theorem 3.3:** A branch of logarithm is analytic and its derivative is  $\frac{1}{z}$ .

**Proof (Sketch):** Let  $f$  be a branch of log. Define  $g(z) = e^z$ . Then  $g(f(z)) = z$ . ( $e^{f(z)} = z$ )

**Lemma 3.1:** Let  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $f$  is differentiable at  $z_0 \in \Omega$  iff  $\exists a \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0) = ah + h\psi(h) \quad (\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \psi(h) = 0)$$

**Proof:** Use the definition of differentiability of a multivariable function

**Theorem 3.4:** Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a domain and let  $f = u + iv$  is a function from  $\Omega$  to  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then  $f$  is analytic at  $z_0 \in \Omega$  iff the partial derivatives exist, are continuous and satisfy Cauchy-Riemann equations.

**Proof(To complete):**  $\Rightarrow$  If  $f$  is analytic at  $z_0$ , then partial derivatives are continuous and satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations (follows from theorem 3.2)

$\Leftarrow$  Let  $\tilde{f} : \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be defined as  $\tilde{f} = (u, v)$

$\tilde{f}$  is differentiable at  $z_0 = (x_0, y_0)$

(Refer to Theorem 2.4 in stein-shakarchi)

**Definition:** For domain  $\Omega$ ,  $H(\Omega)$  is the collection of all analytic functions from  $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

**Proposition 3.3:** Let  $f : \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f \in H(\Omega)$ . If  $D$  is a disk with center at  $z_0 \in \Omega$

and if  $\bar{D} \subseteq \Omega$ , then  $f$  has a power series:

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n \quad (\forall z \in D)$$

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N})$$

**Proof (Sketch):** Differentiate the power series repeatedly (Use Theorem 3.2)

**Examples:**

1.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n z^n < \infty$  (converges  $\forall z \in B(0, 1)$ ; doesn't converge for  $|z|=1$ )

2.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n^2} < \infty$  (converges  $\forall z \in B(0, 1)$ ; converges for  $|z|=1$ )

3.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n} < \infty$  (converges for  $|z| < 1$ ; diverges otherwise)

4.  $f(z) = e^z \Rightarrow f'(z) = e^z$  (by definition of  $e^z$ )

Consider  $g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$

$g(z)$  is an entire function (Why?)

Note that  $f^{(k)}(0) = 1 \Rightarrow a_k = \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} = \frac{1}{k!} \Rightarrow f(z) = g(z)$

## §4. Complex integration

A **path** or a **curve** is a continuous function,  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  ( $Rng(\gamma) \subset \mathbb{C}$ )

$\gamma(a)$ : initial point of path;  $\gamma(b)$ : endpoint of path

$[a, b]$ : parameter interval

$\gamma$  is said to be:

1. closed if  $\gamma(a) = \gamma(b)$
2. smooth or  $C^1$  if  $\gamma$  is differentiable and  $\gamma'$  is continuous
3. simple if  $\gamma$  is one-one
4. simple closed if  $\gamma(a) = \gamma(b)$  and  $\gamma$  is one-one on  $(a, b)$
5. piecewise smooth if there are finitely many points  $s_0, s_1 \dots s_n \in [a, b]$  with  
 $a = s_0 < s_1 < s_2 < \dots < s_n = b$  such that the restriction of  $\gamma$  to each  $(s_i, s_{i+1})$  is smooth.

$-\gamma$  or  $\gamma^{-1}$  is defined by  $\gamma^{-1}(t) = \gamma(a + b - t)$

$\phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow [a, b]$  defined as:  $\phi(t) = a + (b - a)t$  (one-one and differentiable)

### §§4.1. Line integral

$f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  : continuous

$f = u + iv$ , where  $u, v : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Define  $\int_a^b f(t)dt = \int_a^b u(t)dt + i \int_a^b v(t)dt$

**Properties:**

1.  $\int_a^b c.f(t)dt = c. \int_a^b f(t)dt$
2.  $|\int_a^b f(t)dt| \leq \int_a^b |f(t)|dt$

**Length of a smooth curve:** Let  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a smooth curve.

$$L(\gamma) = \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)|dt = \int_a^b \sqrt{\gamma_1'(t)^2 + \gamma_2'(t)^2}dt \quad (\gamma(t) = \gamma_1(t) + i.\gamma_2(t))$$

If  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is piecewise smooth then  $L(\gamma)$  is the sum of the length of its smooth parts.

**Orientation:** A curve  $\gamma$  is *positively* oriented if traversed in anti-clockwise direction else is *negatively* oriented.

**Examples:**

1.  $\gamma(t) = re^{it}$ , ( $t \in [0, 2\pi]$ ) ( $r > 0$ : simple, smooth curve);

$$L(\gamma) = \int_0^{2\pi} |ire^{it}| dt = r(2\pi)$$

2.  $\gamma(t) = e^{it}$ , ( $t \in [0, 4\pi]$ ): closed, smooth, traverses the unit circle twice in the positive direction

**Integration over paths:**  $\gamma[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a smooth curve and  $f : \gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ : continuous

**Definiton:**  $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_a^b f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt = \int_a^b g(t) dt$

( $g(t) = f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t)$  where  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ )

Let  $[a_1, b_1]$  be any closed interval. Then  $\exists \phi : [a_1, b_1] \rightarrow [a, b]$  (one-one, differentiable and

$\phi(a_1) = a; \phi(b_1) = b$ )

$\phi : [a_1, b_1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ : smooth

$$\int_{a_1}^{b_1} f(\gamma_1(t)) \cdot \gamma_1'(t) dt \quad (= \int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz)$$

$$= \int_{a_1}^{b_1} f(\gamma(\phi(t))) \cdot \phi'(t) dt = \int_{\gamma} f(\gamma(s)) \gamma'(s) ds = \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \quad (\phi(t) = s)$$

If  $\gamma$  is piecewise smooth, the integral can be split into the sum of its smooth components:

if  $\gamma = \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 \cdots + \gamma_n$ , then  $\int_{\gamma} f = \int_{\gamma_1} f + \cdots + \int_{\gamma_n} f$ .

Note that  $\gamma_i'$ s are smooth.

**Proposition 4.1:** If  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous on a smooth curve  $\gamma$ , then

$$1. \int_{\gamma} \alpha f + \beta g = \alpha \int_{\gamma} f + \beta \int_{\gamma} g$$

$$2. \int_{\gamma^-} f = - \int_{\gamma} f$$

$$3. |\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz| \leq \|f\|_{\infty, \gamma} L(\gamma) \quad (\|f\|_{\infty, \gamma} = \sup_{z \in \{\gamma\}} |f(z)|)$$

$$|\int_{\gamma} f| = |\int_a^b f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) dt| \leq \int_{\gamma} |f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t)| dt \leq \|f\|_{\infty, \gamma} \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt \quad (L(\gamma) = \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt)$$

**Examples:**

(i) Let  $\gamma$  be the arc of a circle of radius 3 ( $|z|=3$ ) from 3 to  $3i$ .

Show that:

$$\left| \int_{\gamma} \frac{z+4}{z^3-1} dz \right| \leq \frac{21\pi}{52}$$

(ii)  $\gamma : |z|=2$  (traverse curve in positive direction)

Prove:

$$\left| \int_{\gamma} \frac{e^z dz}{z^2+1} \right| \leq \frac{4\pi e^2}{3}$$

**Theorem 4.1 (Fundamental theorem of calculus):**

If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has a primitive  $F$ , then  $\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$  ( $F'(x) = f(x), \forall x \in [a, b]$ )

**For complex case:** Suppose  $G \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a domain. If a continuous function  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  has a primitive  $F$  on  $G$  and if  $\gamma$  is a smooth curve in  $G$  with initial and terminal points  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  respectively, then:

$$\int_{\gamma} f = F(\omega_2) - F(\omega_1)$$

**Proof:** Let  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$  be a parameter interval for  $\gamma$  and  $\gamma(a) = \omega_1; \gamma(b) = \omega_2$

Given  $F'(z) = f(z)$  ( $\forall z \in G$ )

$$\int_{\gamma} f = \int_a^b f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) dt = \int_a^b F'(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_a^b (F \circ \gamma)'(t) dt = F \circ \gamma(b) - F \circ \gamma(a) = F(\omega_2) - F(\omega_1)$$

**Corollary-1:** If  $\gamma$  is a closed curve (smooth), then

$$\int_{\gamma} f = 0$$

**Proof:** Follows from FTC

**Corollary-2:** If  $f \in H(\Omega)$  for a region  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  and if  $f' = 0$  on  $\Omega$ , then  $f$  is a constant function.

**Proof:** Fix a point  $\omega_0 \in \Omega$ . It suffices to show that  $f(\omega) = f(\omega_0), \forall \omega \in \Omega$

## §§4.2. Simple Closed Curve

**Jordan-curve theorem:** Every simple closed curve in  $\mathbb{C}$  divides the complex plane into two regions. One of these regions is bounded and the other is unbounded. The bounded region is called the interior of the curve.

**Example:**  $G = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$

$f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$  on  $G$ ,  $\gamma : |z|=1$ ,  $\gamma(t) = e^{it}$ , ( $t \in [0, 2\pi]$ )

$$\int_{\gamma} f = \int_0^{2\pi} f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{i \cdot e^{it}}{e^{it}} dt = 2\pi i \neq 0$$

**Winding number or index of a closed curve:** Let  $\gamma$  be a closed curve on  $\mathbb{C}$  and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\gamma\}$ . The winding number of  $\gamma$  about  $\alpha$  or the index of  $\gamma$  with respect to  $\alpha$  is denoted by,  $\eta(\gamma; \alpha)$  or  $Ind_{\gamma}(\alpha)$  defined by:

$$\eta(\gamma; \alpha) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - \alpha}$$

**Example:**  $\gamma : [0, 6\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$\gamma(t) = a + re^{it}$

$$\eta(\gamma; \alpha) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{\gamma'(t)}{\gamma(t) - a} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{a + re^{it} - a} \cdot ire^{it} dt = 3$$

**Theorem 4.2:** Let  $\gamma$  be a smooth, closed curve in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\gamma\}$ . Then  $\eta(\gamma; \alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Proof:**  $\phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\phi = \frac{\gamma'(s)}{\gamma(s) - \alpha} \text{ and } g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, g(t) = \int_0^t \phi(s) ds$$

$$g(0) = 0 \text{ and } g(1) = \int_0^1 \phi(s) ds = \int_0^1 \frac{\gamma'(s)}{\gamma(s) - \alpha} ds = \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - \alpha}$$

**Claim:**  $g'(t) = \phi(t)$

Proof: To show that  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(t+h) - g(t)}{h} - \phi(t) = 0$

$$\frac{g(t+h) - g(t)}{h} - \phi(t) = \frac{1}{h} \int_t^{t+h} [\phi(s) - \phi(t)] ds \text{ (for } h > 0, \text{ similar for } h < 0)$$

Since  $\phi$  is uniformly continuous on  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  such that

$$|s - t| < \delta \Rightarrow |\Phi(s) - \Phi(t)| < \epsilon$$

If  $h < \delta$ , then

$$\left| \frac{1}{h} \int_t^{t+h} [\Phi(t+h) - \Phi(t)] ds \right| \leq \frac{1}{h} \int_t^{t+h} |\Phi(t+h) - \Phi(t)| ds < \epsilon$$

Same thing holds if  $h < 0$

$$\text{Therefore, } h < \delta \Rightarrow \left| \frac{g(t+h) - g(t)}{h} - \Phi(t) \right| < \epsilon$$

Hence,  $g' = \Phi$

$$\text{Set } h(t) = e^{-g(t)}(\gamma(t) - \alpha)$$

$$\text{We have, } h'(t) = e^{-g(t)}\gamma'(t) - e^{-g(t)}(\gamma(t) - \alpha)g'(t) = 0$$

Hence,  $h(t)$  is a constant function.

$$e^{-g(0)}(\gamma(0) - \alpha) = e^{-g(1)}(\gamma(1) - \alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-g(0)} = e^{-g(1)} = 1 \quad (\text{As } \gamma \text{ is a closed curve})$$

hence  $g(1) = 2k\pi i$  (for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ )

$$\text{Therefore, } \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - \alpha} = 2k\pi i \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - \alpha} = k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Remark: The theorem is true if  $\gamma$  is a closed contour. (Prove it!)

(A contour is a piecewise smooth curve)

**Theorem 4.3:** Let  $\gamma$  be a closed contour and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\gamma\}$ . Then,

(a) the function  $f_{\gamma} : \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\gamma\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is continuous. ( $\alpha \rightarrow \eta(\gamma; \alpha)$ )

(b)  $f$  is constant on every component of  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\gamma\}$

**Proof:** (a) Let  $\alpha_0 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\gamma\}$ . Then the function  $g : t \rightarrow |\alpha_0 - \gamma(t)|$  is continuous.

$g$  attains its infimum, say  $s = \inf_{t \in [0,1]} g(t)$

If  $\alpha$  is very close to  $\alpha_0$ , then  $|\alpha - \gamma(t)| \geq \frac{s}{2}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{z - \alpha} - \frac{1}{z - \alpha_0} \right| &= \frac{|\alpha - \alpha_0|}{|z - \alpha||z - \alpha_0|} \leq \frac{2}{s^2} |\alpha - \alpha_0| \quad (z \in \gamma) \\ |f_\gamma(\alpha) - f_\gamma(\alpha_0)| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_\gamma \left| \frac{1}{z - \alpha} - \frac{1}{z - \alpha_0} \right| dz \\ &\leq \frac{2}{s^2} |\alpha - \alpha_0| \frac{1}{2\pi i} L(\gamma) = M(\alpha - \alpha_0) \quad (\text{Lipschitz continuous} \Rightarrow \text{continuous}) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let  $V$  be a component, then  $f(V)$  is connected in  $\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow f(V)$  is a constant  $\in \mathbb{Z}$

**Proposition 4.2:** Let  $\gamma$  be a closed contour in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then  $\eta(\gamma; \alpha) = 0 \quad \forall \alpha$  in the unbounded component of  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\gamma\}$

**Proof:** Since  $\gamma$  is closed and bounded,  $\{\gamma\} \subseteq \bar{B}(0; R)$  for some  $R > 0$ .

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \bar{B}(0; R)$

$$\begin{aligned} |z - \alpha| &\geq |\alpha| - |z| \geq |\alpha| - R \\ |\eta(\gamma; \alpha)| &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \int_\gamma \frac{dz}{z - \alpha} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_\gamma \frac{dz}{|z - \alpha|} \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{|\alpha| - R} L(\gamma) \end{aligned}$$

One can find a large enough  $|\alpha|$  to make  $\eta(\gamma; \alpha) < 1$

Hence,  $\eta(\gamma; \alpha) = 0$ , when  $|\alpha|$  is sufficiently large

Since,  $\eta(\gamma; \alpha)$  is constant within a component,  $\eta(\gamma; \beta) = 0$  ( $\forall \beta$  in unbounded component)

**Proposition 4.3:** Let  $\gamma$  be a closed contour consisting of curves  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n$ . Then,

$$\eta(\gamma; \alpha) = \eta(\gamma_1; \alpha) + \dots + \eta(\gamma_n; \alpha) \quad (\text{Prove!})$$

**Cauchy-Goursat theorem:** Let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain and let  $f \in H(\Omega)$ . Then for any closed contour  $\gamma$  lying in the interior of  $\Omega$ ,

$$\int_\gamma f(z) dz = 0$$

**Proof:** Step-I (Goursat's theorem):

When  $\gamma = T$ , a triangle

Let  $T^{(0)} = T$



Let  $diam(T^{(0)}) = d^{(0)}$  and  $peri(T^{(0)}) = p^{(0)}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{T^{(0)}} f(z) dz \\ &= \int_{T^{(1)}} f(z) dz + \int_{T^{(2)}} f(z) dz + \int_{T^{(3)}} f(z) dz + \int_{T^{(4)}} f(z) dz \\ & \left| \int_{T^{(0)}} f(z) dz \right| \leq 4 \left| \int_{T^{(j)}} f(z) dz \right| \quad (\text{for some } j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}) \end{aligned}$$

Call this  $T^{(j)}$  to be  $T^{(1)}$  (suppose)

$$\begin{aligned} diam(T^{(1)}) &= \frac{1}{2} diam(T^{(0)}) \\ d^{(1)} &= \frac{d^{(0)}}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad p^{(1)} = \frac{p^{(0)}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Do the same process with  $T^{(1)}$  to get,

$$\left| \int_{T^{(1)}} f(z) dz \right| \leq 4 \left| \int_{T^{(2)}} f(z) dz \right|$$

Continuing,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{T^{(0)}} f(z) dz \right| \leq 4^n \left| \int_{T^{(n)}} f(z) dz \right| \\ & d^{(n)} = \frac{d^{(0)}}{2^n} \quad \text{and} \quad p^{(n)} = \frac{p^{(0)}}{2^n} \\ & \Delta_n = T^{(n)} \cup Int(T^{(n)}) \quad (\text{Int refers to interior of triangle}) \\ & \Delta_0 \supseteq \Delta_1 \supseteq \dots \Delta_n \supseteq \dots \quad (\text{nested compact sets}) \end{aligned}$$

$d^{(n)}$  tends to 0

Therefore, exists !  $z_0 \in \bigcap_{i=0}^{\infty} \Delta_n$

$f$  is holomorphic at  $z_0$

$$f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0) = hf'(z_0) + h\psi(h) \quad (\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \psi(h) = 0)$$

So,  $f(z) - f(z_0) = (z - z_0)f'(z_0) + (z - z_0)\psi_1(h)$  where  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \psi_1(z) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow \int_T f(z)dz \\
&= \int_T f(z_0)dz + \int_T (z - z_0)f'(z_0)dz + \int_T (z - z_0)\psi_1(z)dz = \int_T (z - z_0)\psi_1(z)dz
\end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\psi_1(z) = \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} - f'(z_0)$$

Let  $\sup_{z \in T^{(n)}} |\psi_1(z)| = E_n$  ( $E_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
&|\int_{T^{(n)}} f(z)dz| \\
&= |\int_{T^{(n)}} (z - z_0)\psi_1(z)dz| \leq \int_{T^{(n)}} |z - z_0| |\psi_1(z)| dz \\
&\leq d^{(n)} E_n p^{(n)} = \frac{d^{(0)} p^{(0)}}{4^n} E_n \\
&|\int_{T^{(0)}} f(z)dz| \leq 4^n |\int_{T^{(n)}} f(z)dz| \leq d^{(0)} p^{(0)} E_n \quad (\forall n)
\end{aligned}$$

Take limit on both sides as  $n \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow |\int_{T^{(0)}} f(z)dz| = 0$

## §5. Cauchy Goursat Theorem

The Cauchy-Goursat Theorem, which as the name of the chapter suggests, is central to this chapter. So we begin by first stating the theorem itself.

**Theorem(Cauchy-Goursat):** If a function  $f$  is analytic at all points interior to and on a simple-closed contour  $C$  then  $\int_C f(z) dz = 0$ .

This theorem is rather hard to prove, so we will be building tools to deal with it for the remainder of the chapter.

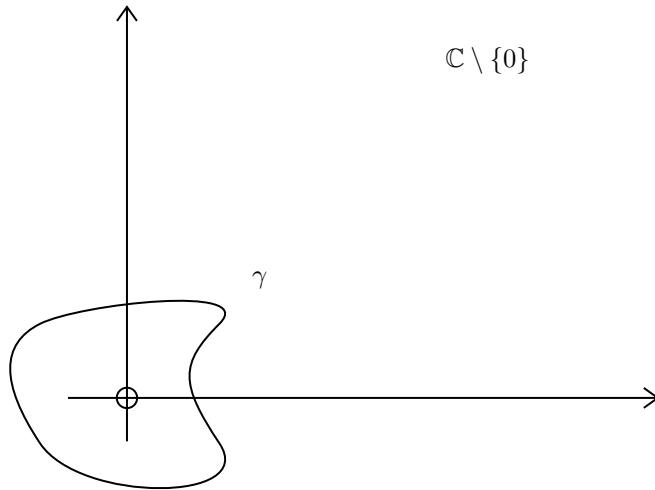
Before moving ahead, we would like to define what a *simply connected* region is.

**Simply Connected Region:** A domain  $D$  is said to be simply connected if every simple closed contour within it encloses points of  $D$  only.

A domain  $D$  is said to be *multiply connected* if it is not simply connected.

A simple example for simply connected region would be  $\mathbb{C}$  itself. Any curve  $\{\gamma\} \in \mathbb{C}$  can only contain points of  $\mathbb{C}$  itself.

Consider the space  $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ , it is multiply connected

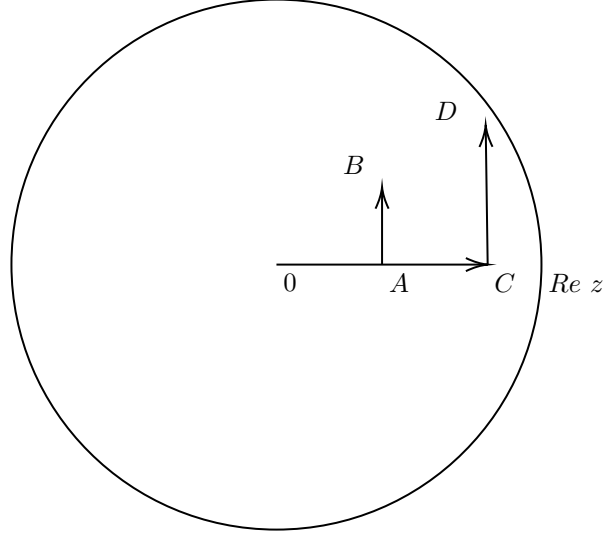


It is apparent that the curve contains  $0 \notin \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$

Let  $\gamma_z := \text{OAB}$ .

Define  $F(z) = \int_{\gamma_z} f(z) dz$

Then, we have,



Since  $f$  is continuous at  $z$ ,

$$f(w) = f(z) + \phi(w), \omega \in BD$$

where  $\lim_{w \rightarrow z} \phi(w) = 0$

Therefore,

$$\omega \rightarrow z, f(\omega) \rightarrow f(z)$$

Since  $g(\omega) = \omega$  is a primitive for 1,

$$\int_{BD} d\omega = h$$

Therefore, (to complete proof)

**Remarks:**

1. The above theorem holds if  $f \in H(D)$  where  $D \subset \mathbb{C}$  is any disk.

2. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a disk in  $\mathbb{C}$  and if  $f \in H(\Omega)$  then,

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$$

for any closed contour  $\gamma \subset \Omega$

3. If  $A \subset \mathbb{C}$  and  $f$  is holomorphic on  $A$  if there is an open set  $A \subset U$  such that  $f \in H(U)$

4. If  $\gamma$  is an closed contour then  $f$  is said to be analytic on and inside  $\gamma$  if  $f \in H(U)$

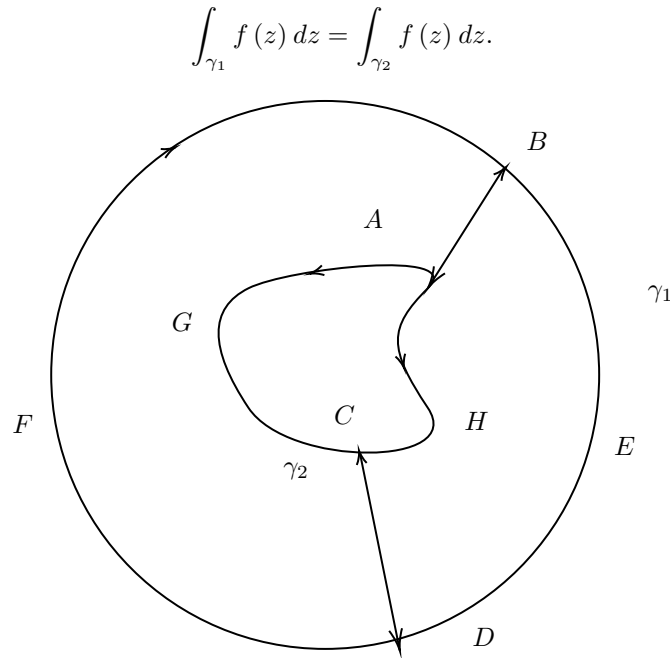
**Simply-connected:** A domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  is said to be *simply connected* if for every simple closed curve  $\gamma$  lying in  $\Omega$ ,  $Int(\gamma) \subset \Omega$

Let  $f \in H(\Omega)$ ,  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  is simply connected and let  $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega$ .

Then the integral of  $f$  along any contour joining  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  is same. Let  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$  be two distinct contours joining  $\alpha, \beta$ . Then, consider the path  $\gamma = \gamma_1 + -(\gamma_2)$ . Then, we have that

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0 \text{ (By Cauchy-Goursat theorem)}$$

Let  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  be two simple closed contours with same orientations such that  $\{\gamma_2\} \subset Int(\gamma_1)$ . If a function is holomorphic in the closed contour region bounded by  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$ , then,



**Cauchy's Integral Formula:** Let  $\gamma$  be a simple closed contour, and let  $z \in Int(\gamma)$ . If  $f$  is analytic on and inside  $\gamma$ , then,

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz.$$

**Proof:** Witout loss of generality, let  $\gamma$  be positively orineted. Since  $f$  is continuous at  $z_0$ ,  
 $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  such that,

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |f(z) - f(z_0)| < \epsilon.$$

Set  $\gamma_1 := |z - z_0| = r$ , where  $0 < r < \delta$ , (Simple Circle, positively oriented)

The function  $\frac{f(z)}{z - z_0}$  is analytic in the closed annular region bounded by  $\gamma$  and  $\gamma_1$ . Then, by the previous lemma, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz &= \\ \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz \end{aligned}$$

Now, we can write the corresponding integral as follows:

$$\int_{\gamma_1} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz = \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} dz + \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{f(z_0)}{z - z_0} dz$$

Now,

$$\left| \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} dz \right| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{r} (2\pi r)$$

Hence the first term vanishes as  $\epsilon > 0$

Now the second term is:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{f(z_0)}{z - z_0} dz &= f(z_0) \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{1}{z - z_0} dz \\ &= f(z_0) 2\pi i \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz &= \int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz \\ &= \frac{f(z_0)}{2\pi i} 2\pi i = f(z_0)\end{aligned}$$

**Cauchy's Integral Formula for derivatives:**

Let  $\gamma$  be a simple closed contour and let  $z_0 \in \text{Int}(\gamma)$ . If  $f$  is holomorphic on and inside  $\gamma$ , then  $f$  is infinitely differentiable at any point in  $\text{Int}(\gamma)$  and

$$f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz$$

**Proof:** For  $n = 0$ , the conclusion is true (by Cauchy's Integral formula)

Suppose it holds for  $k = n - 1$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}f^{(n-1)}(z_0) &= \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^n} dz \\ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f^{(n-1)}(z_0 + h) - f^{(n-1)}(z_0)}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) \cdot \frac{1}{h} \left[ \frac{1}{(z - z_0 - h)^n} - \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^n} \right] dz \\ \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0 - h)(z - z_0)^{n-1}} [A^{n-1} + A^{n-2}B + \dots + B^{n-1}] &\text{ (where)}\end{aligned}$$

(to complete, refer to corollary 4.2 of stein-shakarchi for proof)

**Cauchy's estimate:** Let  $f$  be analytic on and inside a simple circle  $\gamma : |z - z_0| = r$  and let  $|f(z)| \leq M \ \forall z \in \{\gamma\}$ . Then,

$$|f^{(n)}(z_0)| \leq \frac{n! M}{r^n}$$

**Proof:**

$$|f^{(n)}(z_0)| \leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \int_{\gamma} \left| \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} \right| dz$$

$$\frac{n!}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{M}{r^{n+1}} 2\pi r = \frac{n! M}{r^n}$$

(to complete, refer to corollary 4.3 of stein-shakarchi for proof)

**Liouville's theorem:** A function which is entire and bounded is a constant function.

**Proof:** Let  $f$  be an entire function with  $|f(z)| \leq M \ \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$

$|f'(z_0)| \leq \frac{M}{R} < \epsilon$ , for given  $\epsilon > 0$  when  $R$  is sufficiently large.

Therefore,  $f'(z_0) = 0$

**Theorem:** Let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain and let  $f \in H(\Omega)$ . If  $D$  is a disk centered at  $z_0 \in \Omega$  such that  $\bar{D} \subseteq \Omega$ , then  $f$  has a power series

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n, \ \forall z \in D$$

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}, \ \forall n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

**Proof:** Fix  $z \in D$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw \quad \gamma = \partial D$$

$$\frac{1}{w - z} = \frac{1}{(w - z_0) - (z - z_0)} = \frac{1}{w - z_0} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{z - z_0}{w - z_0}}$$

$\exists \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\left| \frac{z - z_0}{w - z_0} \right| < r < 1$$

(Refer to Theorem 4.4 of stein-shakarchi)



**Questions:**

1. Prove that for every non-constant polynomial with complex coefficients has a root in  $\mathbb{C}$   
(A continuous function is bounded inside a disk)
2. Every monic polynomial  $p(z)$  with degree  $n$  ( $\geq 1$ ) has precisely  $n$  roots in  $\mathbb{C}$ . If the roots are  $z_1, z_2 \dots z_n \in \mathbb{C}$ , then  $p(z) = (z - z_1) \dots (z - z_n)$ .